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Office of the Quartermaster General  
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ATTN: President, DMOR Board  
Fort Lee, VA. 23801-5032

Dear Mr. President:

I highly recommend COL John F. Wharton for selection into the Distinguished Members of the Quartermaster Regiment (DMOR). COL Wharton has long been an outstanding member of the Quartermaster (QM) Corps. Not only has he served in a wide variety of positions that have contributed immensely to the Corps outstanding history, but continues to serve with distinction on active duty.

In addition to the many technical assignments that most QM officers perform throughout their career, COL Wharton has served with distinction as:

- \*He served as the Director, Chief of Staff of the Army's TF Logistics that redesigned Army Logistics Forces and Processes from tactical to National level.
- \*He served as Brigade Commander of the 55<sup>th</sup> Theater Support Command (AC/RC) at Camp Henry, Korea responsible for providing logistics support to forces on the Korean Peninsula.
- \*He served as the Quartermaster Branch Chief in the Human Resource Command.
- \*He served as the Battalion Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> U.S. Army Support Battalion assigned to Multinational Peacekeeping Force and Observers (MFO) Sinai, Egypt.
- \*He was assigned as the Battalion Executive Officer of the 210<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division and served as Battalion Commander during Operation Restore/Uphold Democracy in Haiti.
- \*He is currently serving as the Director for Army Initiatives, Army G-4 in the Pentagon, Washington D.C.

COL Wharton's accomplishments within the QM Corps rank him well above his peers and constituents. His selection into the DMOR is only the prelude to his future nomination and ultimate selection into the QM Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4

**COL JOHN F. WHARTON**  
**Director**  
**Army Initiatives Group**  
**Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, G4**

Colonel John Wharton is a native of Columbia, South Carolina. He was commissioned a second lieutenant following his graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1981. His military education includes the Quartermaster Basic and Advanced Courses, the Combined Arms and Service Staff School, the Inspector General's Course, the Command and General Staff College, the Joint Professional Military Education Course, and the Naval War College.

His initial assignment was to Fort Hood Texas where he served as Main Supply Platoon Leader and Company Commander, 15<sup>th</sup> Supply and Transport Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division. In 1985, he was reassigned to the Dragon Brigade, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, NC and then rotated with Task Force 3-502d Infantry, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault) to the Sinai as part of the Multinational Peace Keeping Force and Observers (MFO). Later that year, he remained deployed with Task Force 2-504th Parachute Infantry Regiment (Airborne), 82d Airborne Division thus becoming the first permanent party Company Commander of the Support Company, Logistical Support Unit.

In September 1986, he was detailed as an Inspector General to the United States Army Western Command (WESTCOM), at Fort Shafter, Hawaii. Following that tour, he was reassigned as Battalion S3 to the 25<sup>th</sup> Supply and Transport Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. In 1992, he was assigned to the United States Army's Personnel Command (PERSCOM), Alexandria, Virginia where he served as Lieutenant Colonels' Assignments Officer. In 1994, he was then assigned to the 210<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, New York as Battalion Executive Officer. During Operation Restore/Uphold Democracy he served as Battalion Commander (Forward). In 1995, he was reassigned to the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (Light Infantry) Support Command as the Chief, Division Materiel Management Center (DMMC). In 1996, he was assigned as a Joint Strategy Planner, Logistics Directorate, J4, Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), Pentagon, Washington, D.C. In 1998, he assumed command of the 1<sup>st</sup> United States Army Support Battalion, 507<sup>th</sup> Corps Support Group (Airborne), Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai, Egypt. Following command, he was reassigned to PERSCOM as the Quartermaster Branch Chief.

On 1 September 2001, he assumed command of the 55<sup>th</sup> Theater Support Command as the first Active Component HQDA Command Selection List (CSL) Brigade Commander. The 55<sup>th</sup> TSC is a fully integrated, multi-component command in the Tactical, General Support Category in support of the CSA's top priority to fully integrate the Reserve Component into the Active Component Army. In Nov 03, he was assigned to lead the Chief of Staff of the Army's Task Force on Logistics where he redesigned the Army's logistics from the National Sustainment Base to deployed forces. Following that assignment Colonel Wharton served as Deputy Commander for Futures, US Army Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM). In Nov 06 he was reassigned as Director, Army Initiatives Group, Army G4.

Colonel Wharton's awards include the Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Joint Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with Silver Leaf Cluster), the Army Commendation Medal; the Army Achievement Medal (with two OLC), the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. He also wears the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge and the Airborne and Air Assault Badges.